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## Congressionally Mandated Reports

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		38 USC 3036	EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - BENEFITS ASSESSMENT	BI	P&R	342

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE SHALL SUBMIT TO THE CONGRESS AT LEAST ONCE EVERY TWO YEARS A REPORT ON THE OPERATION OF THE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE BENEFIT LEVELS ARE ADEQUATE TO ACHIEVE THE PURPOSES OF INDUCING INDIVIDUALS TO ENTER AND REMAIN IN THE ARMED FORCES AND OF PROVIDING AN ADEQUATE LEVEL OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO HELP MEET THE COST OF PURSUING A PROGRAM OF EDUCATION, AND WHETHER IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAINTAINING ADEQUATE LEVELS OF WELL-QUALIFIED ACTIVE-DUTY PERSONNEL IN THE ARMED FORCES TO CONTINUE TO OFFER THE OPPORTUNITY FOR EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NOT YET ENTERED ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE; AND SUCH RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES REGARDING THE PROVISION OF EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND VETERANS, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, AS THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

(ALSO ENTITLED "MONTGOMERY GI BILL (BIENNIAL)") SEE 10 USC 16131

96-22		38 USC 8111	SHARING OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HEALTH-CARE RESOURCES	BI	HA	562
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THE SECRETARY (OF VETERANS AFFAIRS) AND THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, AND THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS FOR THE MUTUAL USE OR EXCHANGE OF THE USE OF HOSPITAL AND DOMICILIARY FACILITIES, AND SUCH SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, MATERIAL, AND OTHER RESOURCES AS MAY ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT THAT WOULD RESULT (1) IN A PERMANENT REDUCTION IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED DEPARTMENT HOSPITAL BEDS AND NURSING HOME BEDS TO A LEVEL BELOW THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF SUCH BEDS, OR (2) IN A PERMANENT REDUCTION IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SUCH BEDS OPERATED AND MAINTAINED TO A LEVEL BELOW THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF SUCH BEDS REQUIRED TO BE OPERATED AND MAINTAINED OR IN ANY WAY SUBORDINATE OR TRANSFER THE OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT TO ANY OTHER AGENCY OF THE GOVERNMENT. (f) AT THE TIME THE PRESIDENT'S BUDGET IS TRANSMITTED TO CONGRESS, THE SECRETARY AND THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE SHALL SUBMIT A JOINT REPORT TO CONGRESS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR THAT ENDED DURING THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: SPECIFIC GUIDELINES; ASSESSMENT OF FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES; RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION; A REVIEW OF SHARING AGREEMENTS AND A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES UNDER SUCH AGREEMENTS DURING SUCH FISCAL YEAR; A SUMMARY OF OTHER PLANNING AND ACTIVITIES INVOLVING EITHER AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH PROMOTING THE COORDINATION AND SHARING OF FEDERAL HEALTH-CARE RESOURCES DURING THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR; AND SUCH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION AS THE SECRETARY CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE TO FACILITATE THE SHARING OF HEALTH-CARE RESOURCES BETWEEN THE AGENCIES. (COMBINED WITH THE REPORT ENTITLED "HEALTH-CARE SHARING AGREEMENTS BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE," THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR GREATER SHARING OF THE HEALTH CARE RESOURCES OF THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AND DOD WHICH WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO BOTH VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND COULD RESULT IN REDUCED COSTS TO THE GOVERNMENT BY MINIMIZING DUPLICATION AND USE OF HEALTH CARE RESOURCES. THE FY 1996 REPORT WILL ALSO INCLUDE -- (1) AN ASSESSMENT OF THE EFFECT OF AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO ON THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE TO ELIGIBLE VETERANS, (2) AN ASSESSMENT OF THE COST SAVINGS, IF ANY, ASSOCIATED WITH PROVISION OF SERVICES UNDER SUCH AGREEMENTS TO RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, DEPENDENTS OF MEMBERS OR FORMER MEMBERS, AND BENEFICIARIES, AND (3) ANY PLANS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION, AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION, THAT THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE).